

Troopers Investigating Fatal Hit and Run Pedestrian Crash-Wilmington

Wilmington – The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit is investigating a fatal hit and run crash involving a pedestrian that took place Monday night.

The initial investigation has determined that at approximately 9:02 p.m., Monday, December 24, 2018, two pedestrians were walking northbound on DE Rt. 141 (Centre Rd.) within the right turn lane, for DE Rt. 48 (Lancaster Pike). An unknown make and model vehicle traveling northbound on DE 141 in the right turn lane struck both pedestrians from behind, approximately 400' south of the intersection with DE 48.

One pedestrian, a 37 year old Wilmington man, was thrown into a ditch off the east side of the roadway. He was evaluated by EMS on scene and refused medical treatment.

The second pedestrian a 32 year old Philadelphia PA, was thrown into the roadway where he came to rest in the right thru lane of DE 141 northbound. He was transported to the Christiana Hospital where he was pronounced deceased. Identification is pending notification of next of kin.

Both pedestrians were wearing all dark clothing without any reflective material.

Impairment on their behalf is undetermined at this time.

The fleeing vehicle could only be described as being dark gray in color and should be missing the passenger side mirror.

Northbound DE 141 south of DE 48 was closed for approximately

3 hours while the scene was investigated and cleared.

Anyone with information regarding the incident or the fleeing vehicle are asked to contact Cpl. J. Breen of the Troop 2 Collision Reconstruction Unit at 302-365-8486.

Information may also be provided by calling Delaware crime stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at <http://www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com>

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1800 842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at debra.reed@delaware.gov.

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